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SUBJECT: RESPONSE TO FOURTH OF JULY MESSAGE TO THE PRESIDENT FROM LEBANESE PRESIDENT FRANGIE

1. FYI FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF TELEGRAM SENT PRIVATELY TO PRESIDENT FORD BY PRESIDENT FRANGIE JULY 1: "LA FETE NATIONALE DES ETATS-UNIS D'AMERIQUE ME FOURNIT L'OCCASION D'ADDRESSER A VOTRE EXCELLENCE AVEC MES SINCERES FELICITATIONS LES VOEUX QUE JE FORME EN MON NOM ET AU NOM DU PEUPLE LIBANAIS POUR LA PROSPERITY DU PEUPLE AMERICAIN ET POUR VOTRE BONHEUR PERSONNEL. SLEIMAN FRANGIE, PRESIDENT DE LA REPUBLIQUE LIBANAISE." END FYI.

2. FOLLOWING RESPONSE FROM PRESIDENT FORD SHOULD BE DELIVERED TO THE PRESIDENT BY HATEVER MEANS CONVENIENT;
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"DEAR MR. PRESIDENT:

"ON BEHALF OF THE AMERICAN PEOPLE, MRS. FORD AND I THANK
YOU FOR YOUR MESSAGE OF GOOD WISHES ON THE COMMEMORATION
OF THE 200TH ANNIVERSARY OF OUR NATION'S INDEPENDENCE. AS
WE ENTER OUR THIRD CENTURY, THE UNITED STATES REDEDICATES
ITSELF IN WORD AND DEED TO THE PRINCIPLES OF LIBERTY,
EQUALITY AND INDIVIDUAL DIGNITY. SINCERELY, GERALD R.
FORD."

3. NO RELEASE INTENDED, BUT NO OBJECTION IF RECIPIENT
WISHES TO DO SO. KISSINGER

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